

Off Highway Vehicle Fund
2013 Grant Applications
Initial Review
3/28/13

Applicant	Timely	Complete	Public Agency or Non Profit	Standalone Project
1. Rotary 5 Cities-ECO	Yes	Yes	Non-Profit	Yes
2. Oceano CSD	Yes	Yes	Public Agency	Yes
3. Five-Cities Fire	Yes	Yes	Public Agency	Yes
4. Pismo Beach Fire, Lifeguards	Yes	Yes	Public Agency	Yes
5. Atascadero Police Dept.	Yes	Yes	Public Agency	Yes
6. CCMA – Turkey Flats	Yes	Yes	Non-Profit	Yes
7. CCMA – Navaho Flats	Yes	Yes	Non-Profit	Yes

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Application 1.

Rotary Club Five Cities -Eco

Zero Waste Program Oceano Dunes SVRA

\$3,000.

Allowable Use Criteria: Allowable uses are project and cooperative agreements that either provide comprehensive education that teaches: a) off-highway motor vehicle safety; b) environmental responsibility and respect for private property; or c) provide safety programs associated with off-highway motor vehicle recreation.

1. What Criteria are met through this project?

This project meets Criteria:

- a) Project does not provide comprehensive education that teaches off-highway motor vehicle safety.
- b) Project Provides education that that teaches environmental responsibility as it relates to general waste produces, not specifically associated with off-highway motor vehicle use.
- c) Project does not provide safety programs associated with off-highway motor vehicle recreation.

2. General Criteria Education and Safety:

- a) The extent and reach that the project promotes education of rules/regulations related to the responsible and safe operation of off-highway vehicles (Greatly, Moderately, Nominally or Does Not Enhance)
 - Project does not enhance.
- b) Extent project incorporates matching funds, materials, volunteers?
 - Project does moderately incorporate matching hours, but does not incorporate matching funds or materials.
- c) Number of people benefitted by project?
 - Project application does not provide this information.
- d) Past experience with completing and administering grant funded projects?
 - Project application provides examples of special events, but no examples of completing grant funded projects.

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Application 2.

Oceano Community Services District

Oceano Beach and Park portable emergency generator system

\$20,000.

Allowable Use Criteria : Allowable uses are project and cooperative agreements that either provide comprehensive education that teaches: a) off-highway motor vehicle safety; b) environmental responsibility and respect for private property; or c) provide safety programs associated with off-highway motor vehicle recreation.

1. What Criteria are met through this project?

This project meets Criteria:

- a) Project does not provide comprehensive education that teaches off-highway motor vehicle safety.
- b) Project does not provide education that teaches environmental responsibility.
- c) Project does not provide safety programs associated with off-highway motor vehicle recreation.

2. General Criteria Education and Safety:

- a) The extent and reach that the project promotes education of rules/regulations related to the responsible and safe operation of off-highway vehicles (Greatly, Moderately, Nominally or Does Not Enhance)
 - Project does not enhance
- b) Extent project incorporates matching funds, materials, volunteers?
 - Project does moderately incorporate matching funds in the amount of \$15,000.
- c) Number of people benefitted by project?
 - Application states that over 2 million visitors use the dunes annually.
- d) Past experience with completing and administering grant funded projects?
 - Project application provides example of a 2009 OHV grant administered by the OCSD.

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**Application 3.
Five Cities Fire Authority
Emergency Response Vehicle maintenance and repair
\$12,500.**

Allowable Use Criteria: Allowable uses are project and cooperative agreements that either provide comprehensive education that teaches: a) off-highway motor vehicle safety; b) environmental responsibility and respect for private property; or c) provide safety programs associated with off-highway motor vehicle recreation.

1. What Criteria are met through this project?

This project meets Criteria:

- a) Project does not provide comprehensive education that teaches off-highway motor vehicle safety.
- b) Project does not provide education that teaches environmental responsibility.
- c) Project does not provide safety programs associated with off-highway motor vehicle recreation.

2. General Criteria Education and Safety:

- a) The extent and reach that the project promotes education of rules/regulations related to the responsible and safe operation of off-highway vehicles (Greatly, Moderately, Nominally or Does Not Enhance)
 - Project does not enhance
- b) Extent project incorporates matching funds, materials, volunteers?
 - Project does greatly incorporate matching labor and operating costs in the form of staffing, estimated to be \$29,250 annually, and fuel costs, estimated to be \$1,200 annually.
- c) Number of people benefitted by project?
 - Application states that over 1 million visitors use the dunes annually and that the Fire Authority responds to the dunes approximately 150 times annually.
- d) Past experience with completing and administering grant funded projects?

- Project application states that it has demonstrated its ability in administering grant funded projects, but does not provide any examples. The application provides an example of a 2009 OHV grant administered by the Fire OCSD, not the Fire Authority.

PLEASE NOTE:

Applicant identified this request within the Education and Safety Category. However, staff sees that this request might more appropriately be placed into the Operation and Maintenance category and if so, it would have provided the following response to criteria:

Operations and Maintenance Category Review

Application 3.

Five Cities Fire Authority

Emergency Response Vehicle maintenance and repair

\$12,500.

1. Allowable Use Criteria – What Criteria are met through this project?

This project meets Criteria:

- a) Project provides essential maintenance to a rescue vehicle that helps sustain existing off highway motor vehicle use and recreational opportunities.

2. General Criteria Operations and Maintenance:

- a) Extent of support for existing or increasing off highway motor vehicle recreation opportunities and facilities, or motorized access to non-motorized opportunities? (Greatly, Moderately, Nominally or Does Not Enhance)
 - Project will “Greatly” support existing off highway motor vehicle recreation opportunities through ensuring that a rescue vehicle remains available for rescue of injured persons in dune areas not accessible with traditional trucks or vehicles.
- b) Extent project incorporates matching funds, materials, volunteers?
 - Project does incorporate matching labor and operating costs in the form of staffing, estimated to be \$29,250 annually, and fuel costs, estimated to be \$1,200 annually.
- c) Past experience with completing and administering grant funded projects?
 - Project application states that it has demonstrated its ability in administering grant funded projects, but does not provide any examples. The application provides an example of a 2009 OHV grant administered by the Fire OCSD, not the Fire Authority.
- d) Number of people benefitted by project?

- Applicant notes that this unit responded to 156 calls to the Dunes area from May 2011 to May 2012 and 97% of these calls were medical in nature related to off highway motor vehicle operations.

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Application 4.

City of Pismo Beach Fire Dept. – Lifeguard Division

Clear Communications with State Park Rangers using Handheld Multi-Band Radios

\$10,000.00

1. Allowable Use Criteria – What Criteria are met through this project?

This project meets Criteria:

- a) Project provides four radios for communication between City of Pismo Fire Dept. Lifeguards (Pismo) and California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR).
- b) Lifeguards would use radios to communicate with CDPR whenever off highway motor vehicle users leave the State Park and enter Pismo property that does not allow off highway motor vehicle use.
- c) Applicant identifies safety high priority concerns wherein off highway motor vehicles may be unlawfully operated in beach areas in conflict with beach goers, children, sun bathers and other beach users.
- f) Applicant notes that Lifeguards are trained to identify and address off highway motor vehicle use and redirect user to State Park property or city streets.

2. General Criteria Law Enforcement:

- a) To what extent will the project enhance the enforcement of law and regulations related to the operation of off highway motor vehicles? (Greatly, Moderately, Nominally or Does Not Enhance)
 - The project will “Greatly” enhance enforcement of laws by providing clear communications between Pismo Lifeguards who have identified unlawful off highway motor vehicle use and CDPR Rangers who enforce these laws. CDPR Rangers will be able to respond quickly to unlawful use and redirect users to safe and lawful use within the State Park.
- b) Extent project incorporates matching funds, materials, volunteers?
 - Project notes \$929.34 provided two VHF radios for the Lifeguard Program last year. No matching funds, materials or volunteer hours are provided. Project requests \$10,000 for four handheld multiband radios with life expectancy of five years.

- c) Number of people benefitted by project?
 - Applicant does not state the numbers of persons benefitted. Applicant does not state occasions per period of time where Lifeguard communications with off highway motor vehicle users has been required in the past, or numbers of communications required between Lifeguards and CDPR. However, annual visitors to Pismo Beach may be counted in the thousands and it is likely that errant off highway motor vehicle users will continue to drive/ride onto Pismo Beach areas where such use is unlawful.
- d) Past experience with completing and administering grant funded projects?
 - Applicant notes no experience with completing or administering such projects.

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Application 5.
City of Atascadero Police Dept.
Access the Upside Down River
\$20,000.00

1. Allowable Use Criteria – What Criteria are met through this project?

This project meets Criteria:

- a) Project provides a crew type off highway vehicle to access the Salinas River and address unlawful off highway motor vehicle use. Applicant will work with Atascadero Fire Department, using the vehicle whenever medical rescue is required within the Salinas River corridor. Applicant will work with California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR) for specific training and use. Applicant will work with California Department of Fish & Game (CDFG) to determine appropriate locations of entry to the river.
- b) Atascadero Police Officers would use to access the river corridor and address unlawful operation of off highway motor vehicles.
- c) Applicant identifies sensitive habitat of the Salinas River and the need to address unlawful use of off highway motor vehicles.
- f) Applicant notes that Officers will be trained by CDPR for vehicle operation and directed by CDFG regarding appropriate river entry locations.

2. General Criteria Law Enforcement:

- a) To what extent will the project enhance the enforcement of law and regulations related to the operation of off highway motor vehicles? (Greatly, Moderately, Nominally or Does Not Enhance)
 - The project will “Greatly” enhance enforcement of laws by providing a crew vehicle that can safely access the Salinas River and allow Police Officers to address unlawful off highway motor vehicle use.

- b) Extent project incorporates matching funds, materials, volunteers?
 - Project notes an unspecified amount of matching funds would be available in the form of vehicle maintenance and program administration. Project requests \$20,000 for one crew type off highway motor vehicle that is expected to provide many years of service.
- c) Number of people benefitted by project?
 - Applicant does not state the numbers of persons benefitted. Applicant does not state occasions per period of time where Lifeguard communications with off highway motor vehicle users has been required in the past, or numbers of communications required between Lifeguards and CDPR. However, annual visitors to Pismo Beach may be counted in the thousands and it is likely that errant off highway motor vehicle users will continue to drive/ride onto Pismo Beach areas where such use is unlawful.
- d) Past experience with completing and administering grant funded projects?
 - Applicant notes no experience with completing or administering such projects.

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Application 6.

**Central Coast Motorcycle Association (CCMA)
Turkey Flats Staging Area Concept Design
\$8,000.00**

3. Allowable Use Criteria – What Criteria are met through this project?

This project meets Criteria:

- b) Project creates the concept plan to improve facilities that provide motorized access to non-motorized recreation by creating a master plan to improve the camping and staging areas for hikers, hunters and equestrians as well as the motorized recreational uses.
- c) Project creates concept plan to improve facilities that will expand off highway vehicle recreation through increasing camping spaces, enlarging the children's practice area and limits traffic conflicts.
- d) iii. Project creates conceptual plan to improve staging area for trails included on National Forest Road and Trail System.

4. General Criteria Operations and Maintenance:

- a) Extent of support for existing or increasing off highway motor vehicle recreation opportunities and facilities, or motorized access to non-motorized opportunities? (Greatly, Moderately, Nominally or Does Not Enhance)
 - Project creates concept plan that will "Greatly" enhance off highway motor vehicle recreation opportunities and "Greatly" enhance facilities for motorized access to non-motorized opportunities through expanded camp areas, improved traffic safety and increased youth riding areas.
- b) Extent project incorporates matching funds, materials, volunteers?
 - Project uses volunteer and matching funds estimated at \$2,000.00. In addition CCMA provides volunteer trail repair and maintenance efforts on a continuing basis.

- c) Past experience with completing and administering grant funded projects?
 - Applicant (CCMA) has completed two similar projects in the previous three years and has an additional similar project in progress to be completed in April 2013.
- d) Number of people benefitted by project?
 - CCMA estimates between 5,000 and 7,500 visitors use this area each year. The 2009 USFS survey noted 50 vehicles per day used the area.

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Application 7.

Central Coast Motorcycle Association (CCMA)
Navajo Flats Improvement Project Furnishings
\$41,950.00

1. Allowable Use Criteria – What Criteria are met through this project?

This project meets Criteria:

- b) Project constructs facilities that provide motorized access to non-motorized recreation by constructing campground, trail facilities and staging areas for hikers, hunters and equestrians as well as the motorized recreational uses.
- c) Project constructs facilities that will expand off highway vehicle recreation through increasing camping spaces, providing a children's practice area and limits traffic conflicts.
- d) iii. Project improves staging area for trails included on National Forest Road and Trail System.

2. General Criteria Operations and Maintenance:

- a) Extent of support for existing or increasing off highway motor vehicle recreation opportunities and facilities, or motorized access to non-motorized opportunities? (Greatly, Moderately, Nominally or Does Not Enhance)
 - Project constructs facilities that will "Greatly" enhance off highway motor vehicle recreation opportunities and "Greatly" enhance facilities for motorized access to non-motorized opportunities through, doubling the number of campsites available, improving traffic safety and providing youth riding areas.
- b) Extent project incorporates matching funds, materials, volunteers?
 - Project uses volunteer and matching funds estimated at \$13,069. A grant secured from State OHV provides \$261,000. USFS staff and equipment estimated at \$70,000. In addition, the CCMA provides volunteer trail repair and maintenance efforts on a continuing basis.

- c) Past experience with completing and administering grant funded projects?
 - Applicant (CCMA) has completed two similar projects in the previous three years and has an additional similar project in progress to be completed in April 2013.
- d) Number of people benefitted by project?
 - CCMA estimates between 5,000 and 7,500 visitors use this area each year. The 2009 USFS survey states 10,000 to 14,000 use this recreation area and a USFS survey noted 50 vehicles per day used the area.